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OPTIMIZING THE DELIVERY OF
A SET OF GASES IN A PLASMA PROCESSING
SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION MAILED 12/14/2005

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 14, 2005, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group I claims 1-29 to prosecute in the above-identified patent application. Further, Applicants elect Species A (metal conduit is stainless steel), Species D (thermoplastic tubular is PTFE), and Species I (resin material is PTFE) for prosecution in the above-identified patent application. Applicants consider the claims that recite, in the manner claimed in claims 1 and 19 (such as the generic metal conduit, the generic thermoplastic, and the generic resin material) to be patentable. Accordingly, while Species A, D, and I are selected for prosecution purposes, the allowance of the generic claim should render all species allowable.

If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this Response to Restriction Requirement, the Commission is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2284 (Order No. LMRX-P026).

Respectfully submitted,
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